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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Heery et al.

Application No.: 09/423,037

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For: INHIBITORS OF NUCLEAR  
PROTEIN/NUCLEAR RECEPTOR  
INTERACTION

Examiner: J. Dunston

**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This response is being filed in reply to the outstanding Office Action, mailed August 9, 2006, in connection with the above application.

A petition for extension of time is being filed concurrently herewith.

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-22 are pending in the subject application. Claims 2, 5, 6, and 14-22 are withdrawn as being directed to a non-elected invention. Applicants will cancel such claims upon indication of allowable subject matter. Claims 1, 3, 4 and 7-13 were rejected and Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following remarks. Issues raised by the Examiner will be addressed below in the order they appear in the prior Office Action.